(c) Four drugs intermediates have been dereserved by the Government *vide* Notification S.O. 533(E) dated 20.05.2002.

(d) The list of ten products in the drugs & pharmaceuticals sector referred to above is enclosed as Statement (*See* below).

(e) The dereservation of four items and raising of investment ceiling in respect of ten items will help SSI units to enhance their competitiveness both in the domestic and export markets through facilitating technological upgradation and adoption of international quality standards.

Statement

List of products in the drugs and pharmaceuticals Sector

31060101	Para-amino phenol-Indl. Grade
310628	Pyrazolones
310650	Benzyl benzoate
310658	Niacinamide
313125	Paracetamol
31315801	Methyl parabens and sodium salt starting from para hydroxy benzoic acid
31315901	Ethyl parabens and sodium salt starting from para hydroxy benzoic acid
31319501	Propyl parabens and sodium salt starting from para hydroxy benzoic acid
3131960	Calcium gluconate
310126	Aluminium hydroxide gel

SSIs in Rajasthan

1033. DR. ABRAR AHMED:
SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:

Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the details and number of small scale industries in Rajasthan;

(b) how many of them have been declared sick;

(c) the number of workers employed in these units; and

(d) the number of workers that have been rendered unemployed due to sickness/lockout in these units?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) As reported by the Government of Rajasthan, the number of registered small scale industries in the State by June, 2002 was 91,305.

(b) According to the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) which compiles data on sick SSIs financed by scheduled commercial banks, the number of sick SSI units by the end of March, 2002 (latest available) in the State of Rajasthan was 6,206.

(c) and (d) Data on number of workers employed and rendered unemployed due to sickness/lockout are not maintained centrally.

Demands of associations of SSIs

1034. SHRI S. VIDUTHALAI VIRUMBI:
SHRI C.P. THIRUNAVUKKARASU:

Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the demands made by several associations/ organisations pertaining to the Small Scale Industries during the last three years;

(b) the details of the demands accepted in principle by his Ministry; and

(c) the details of the action taken or proposed to be taken to fulfill their demands?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) During the last three years Small Scale Industries (SSI) associations and organisations have been raising various issues in respect of the impact of globalisation, credit, technology, marketing, infrastructure and regulatory laws concerning SSIs as well as matters related to customs and excise for consideration of Government.